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WHEREAS, said Grantor are the owners in fee of certain real property, hereinafter described, situated in Franklin County, Ohio, which the City Council of Gahanna has determined to be of importance to the aesthetics of the community and 533 E. Johnstown Road.

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Ì	Signed and acknowledged In the presence of:	GRANTOR
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	STATE OF OHIO FRANKLIN COUNTY, SS	-
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	d for said county and state, personally appeared ledged that he did sign the foregoing instrumen ed.
	In testimony whereof, I hereunto this day of	set my hand and official seal at Gahanna, Ohio , 200
	Notary Public My Commissi	on expires:

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# CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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# Memo

To:

Council

From:

James F. McGregor

Mayor

Date:

March 21, 2001

Re:

Mark & Emmy Urban – 533 E. Johnstown Road

Mr. & Mrs. Mark Urban live at 533 E. Johnstown Road. This is one of the older properties that is still on a well for water. Mr. & Mrs. Urban own one of the large lots and the water tap-in fees are expensive (\$7,110). The Urbans would like to tap the City system but because of the expense have asked if there are other alternatives.

The Heartland Plan adopted by Council encourages the preservation of the single-family residential character of this area. Our plans are well thought out and our zoning should hold, regardless of legal challenges. Nevertheless, it seems prudent for us to look for ways to reinforce the zoning. One method is through conservation easements. A conservation easement will preserve property forever as single-family residential. The Urbans would be giving up to the City all rights to any other type of development. A Deed of Conservation Easement is attached. We have used this methodology on Ridenour Road for Mr. & Mrs. John Hare. The Hares have since passed on. A remodeling company purchased their home and have thoroughly reworked this single-family home. It will continue to be a wonderful residence. We did not face any proposed rezoning with the passing of the Hares; perhaps, the Conservation Easement had much to do with that.

As you can see from the correspondence, the Urbans are willing to sell us a Conservation Easement on their property for the \$7,110 front footage tap-in fees. The Administration feels this is a prudent purchase that both helps a family in an older section of our City to hook up to water and also protects the single-family character of the Heartland.

Thanks so much for your kind consideration of this matter.

JFM/psf

Mark & Emmy Urban 533 East Johnstown Road Gahanna, OH 43230

January 23, 2001

City of Gahanna 200 South Hamilton Road Gahanna, OH 43230-2996

Attn: Mr.James F. McGregor-Mayor

Dear Mayor McGregor:

We appreciate your response to the easement, in which we are interested. The concerns that we have are will the easement prevent me from doing necessary repairs and or improvements that need to be accomplished in the future. Several repairs that need to take place are driveways (badly damaged from poor drainage) and two culverts (that are collapsing) at the entrance of the property. Also the septic system is approximately 50 years old and may need repair or replacement in the future.

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Therefore, we would like you to forward the option regarding water (conversation easement) to the council for their approval. If you feel, the above concerns are feasible.

Thank you for your effort and time in the matter above. It is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Mark & Emmy Urban

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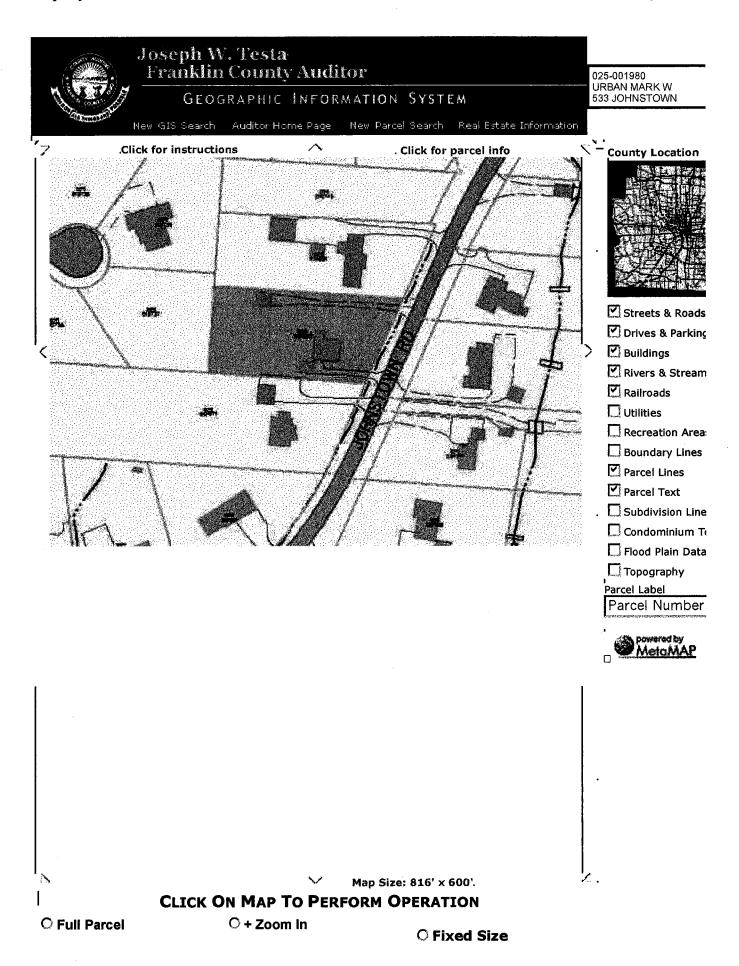
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has hereunto set hand or	this	day and
year first above written, and	does	release
expectancy of dower in said easement conveyed herein.		

Signed and acknowledged In the presence of:	GRANTOR				
STATE OF OHIO FRANKLIN COUNTY, SS					
Before me, a Notary Public in and for sa the above-named Grantor, who acknowledged and that the same is his free act and deed.	id county and state, personally appeared that he did sign the foregoing instrument				
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PARCEL INFORMATION FOR 025-001980

PARCEL INFOR	MAI.	TON FOR UZS	-001960							
Owner Name		URBAN MARK	W			Transf	er Date	11/02/1999		
		URBAN EMMY	W			Price		\$124,900		
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Site Address		533 JOHNSTOWN RD								
Mail Address		FIRST AMERIC	CAN RE/FAI	ARETS			r's Map	O057HH 024.00		
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		DALLAS TX 75	247			Annua	l Taxes	\$2,034.52		
Tax District		CITY OF GAHA	ANNA-GAH	ANNA JE	FFERSON CSD	1				
Description 533 E JOHNSTOWN RD			TOWN RD							
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Auditor's Appra	ised \	Values		Assessed Acreage		0.92				
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#### DISCLAIMER

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## 200 SOUTH HAMILTON ROAD GAHANNA, OHIO 43230-2996



(614) 471-6009 • Fax (614) 337-4381 Web site: www.gahanna.org

December 27, 2000

Mrs. Emmy Urban 533 Johnstown Road Gahanna, OH 43230

Dear Mrs. Urban:

Thanks so much for your patience as you consider your options regarding water. The easement we forwarded to you is standard language used across the State. Consequently, it cannot be changed or modified. Should you be interested in the standard document language, please let us know and we will forward it on to Council. If the elements of the easement are too burdensome, we certainly understand.

Thanks so much.

Sincerely,

James F. McGregor Mayor

JFM/psf

# 200 SOUTH HAMILTON ROAD GAHANNA, OHIO 43230-2996



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October 4, 2000

Ms. Emmy Urban 533 Johnstown Road Gahanna, OH 43230

Dear Ms. Urban:

Mayor McGregor asked me to forward this "Deed of Conservation Easement" to you. This is the one he referred to that we did for John Hare several years ago. As he mentioned in his earlier letter, the decision is up to City Council. If you are interested after reading the enclosed, please let us know and we will forward it to Council for their consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Pat Froman Office Manager

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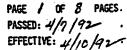
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As amended 4/7/92.

# ORDINANCE NO.63-92.



TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO DEED OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR PROPERTY ALONG 3670 RIDENOUR ROAD; TO WAIVE TAP IN FEES AND ACCOMPANYING CHARGES FOR CITY WATER TO 3670 RIDENOUR AS COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, John Hare, a resident of Ridenour Road, owns a long frontage along Ridenour Road and the Big Walnut Creek floodway and this frontage is non-buildable; and

WHEREAS, the owner wishes to obtain City utilities, and has offered to exchange a scenic easement of this frontage in return for tap-in fees; and

WHEREAS, said fees will amount to approximately \$9,565;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, STATE OF OHIO:

The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into Deed of Section 1. Conservation Easement with the owner/s/ of 3670 Ridenour Road, said document attached to this ordinance as EXHIBIT A, and made a part herein.

This Council hereby walves tap-in fees and Section 2. accompanying charges for 3670 Ridenour Road as compensation for this Deed of Conservation Easement.

That, for the reasons set forth in the preamble Section 3. hereinabove, this ordinance is declared emergency legislation and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by this Council and approval by the Mayor.

CERTIFIED as passed, this 7th day of April, 1992.

URICE BITTNER

President of Council

ATTESTED TO AND PRESENTED TO the Mayor,

this Ath day of April, 1992:

PEG QUNNINGHAM, CMC

Clerk of Council

APPROVED by the Mayor, this /Out day of April, 1992.

Attachment - EXHIBIT A.

Requested: Service and Public Affairs committee of Council

Form Approved: City Attorney.

Prepared: Clerk of Council.

### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Wayne C. Murphy

- Director of Public Service

FROM:

James F. McGregor Jim

Mayor

DATE:

November 13, 1991

John Hare, a resident of Ridenour Road, owns a long frontage along Ridenour Road and the Big Walnut Creek floodway. This frontage is unbuildable. Our tap-in fees are, to some degree, based upon frontage and this makes Mr. Hare's fees exorbitant. Mr. Hare may be willing to give us a scenic easement or some similar device on the property for the price of the tap-in fees. Could you contact Steve Goodwin, Administrator of ODNR's Division of Natural Areas and Preserves. Steve will have an example of scenic easement deeds and other necessary legal tools to implement this suggestion. Then perhaps Megan could meet with Tom Weber and Mr. Hare to see what is possible. If all of this can be worked out, we can then go to Council for consideration of a transfer from the General Fund to the Water Fund for that amount.

Thanks so much for carrying the ball on this, Wayne.

JFM/psf

cc: J. Hare

R. Mitchell, Director of Parks & Recreation

+ wife

Tapping Charge 700.00 Permit/INSP. PEE 20.00

750.00

JOHN L. HARE.
3676 RIDENOUR

SYSTEM CAPACITY 75

100.00

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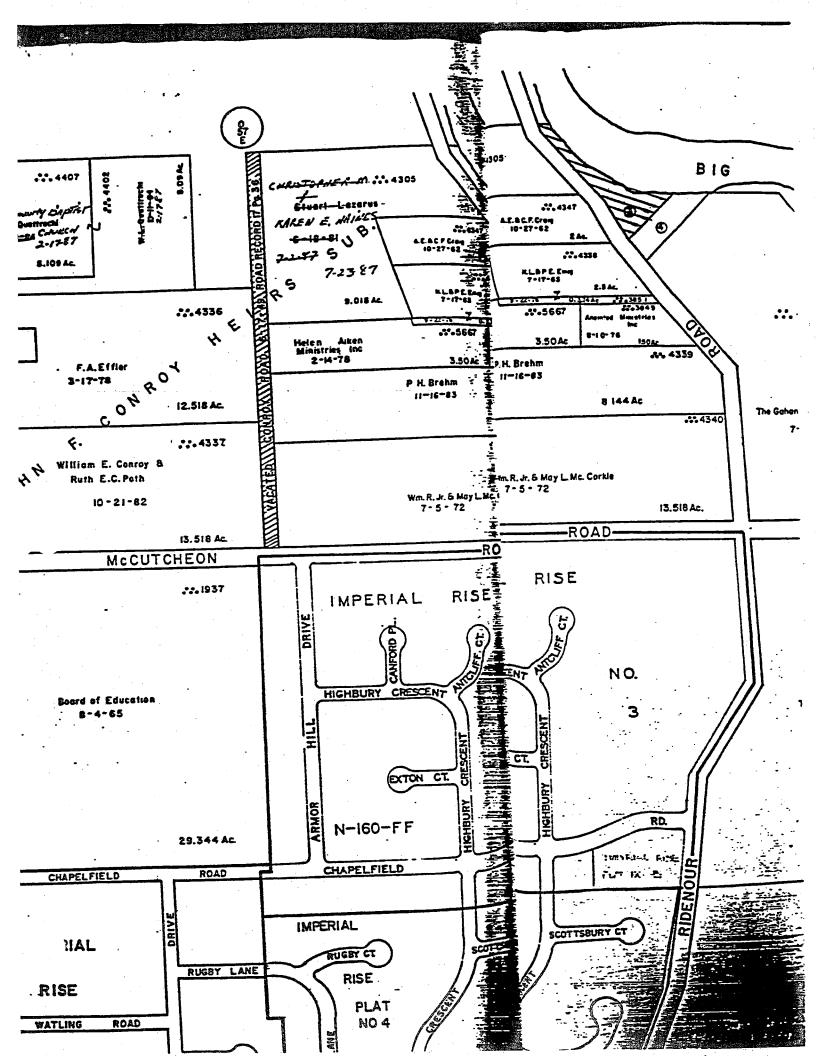
PRONT FOOTAGE

15.00/FRONT PT. APPROX. 533 FT.

7,995.00

\$ 9,565.00 APPROX. TOTAL COST FOR 3/4" LINE

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# 200 SOUTH HAMILTON ROAD GAHANNA, OHIO 43230-2996



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August 28, 2000

Ms. Emmy Urban 533 Johnstown Road Gahanna, OH 43230

Dear Ms. Urban:

I have read our Director of Public Service's response to you regarding water. The only alternative that I can think of that might be available to you would be a scenic easement. (The purpose of a scenic easement is to preserve the beauty of a fine residential area, such as yours.) This alternative may be something you are not in the least bit interested in, or it could be something that Council would not be willing to grant, but it is an idea I thought I would share with you.

A number of years ago, a resident who lived on Ridenour Road, John Hare, needed to obtain water from the City. However, Mr. Hare could not afford it. In that case, Mr. Hare sold the City a scenic easement on his property for the price of the water. A scenic easement means that the property can not be re-zoned. It can continue to be what it is; a fine single-family home. But the zoning could not be changed nor could that home ever be turned in to any sort of business. On the one hand, the plans of the City envision the homes in your area as staying anyway. It is not our intent to grant any zoning changes in that area. Recently, one was turned down on Rt. 62 at Cherrybottom on the east side of the road. However, people do have a right to apply and to attempt to change their zoning. Should you grant the City a scenic easement, you would no longer own the right to attempt to change your zoning. That right would be owned by the City.

Thank you so much for letting me know your concern. These are the only two alternatives I can think of – either paying the full amount or selling a scenic easement to the City. Should you be interested in selling the scenic easement to the City, please call me at 471-2563 or e-mail me at imcgregor@gahanna.com.

Sincerely,

James F. McGregor

Mayor

### 200 SOUTH HAMILTON ROAD AHANNA, OHIO 43230-2996



## (614) 471-6009 • Fax (614) 337-4381 Web site: www.gahanna.org

August 16, 2000

MS EMMY URBAN 533 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD GAHANNA OH 43230

Dear Ms. Urban:

This is in response to your recent correspondence to the City of Gahanna regarding water service to your home. As I'm sure you are aware, the construction of the water service line from the water main on the east side of Johnstown Road to your house is the responsibility of the property owner. Also, I should point out that since the service line will be over 100 feet in length, the service line will need to be no less than one inch to provide adequate pressure to your house.

The fees, paid to the City of Gahanna for water service is based upon a 150-foot frontage and a one-inch tap, are as follows:

Front footage 145' x \$30/foot	\$4,350
System capacity fee – 1' tap	2,500
Meter	180
Permit and inspection	80
Estimated Total:	<u>\$7,110</u>

As the property owner, you will need to hire a plumber and/or water contractor to install the service line to your house. It will be the contractor's responsibility to bore under Johnstown Road and tap the municipal city water service.

Estimates from appropriate contractors must be obtained by the property owner. The cost of around \$1,500 to \$2,000 mentioned in your correspondence that your neighbors paid in the past, must have been several years ago and it would also appear that their service lines were much shorter than the 100+ foot line you will require.

The city has no finance or payment plans available for connecting a residential water service. There is a legal process where by the cost may be added to your property taxes as a lien. This is a lengthy process and only part of the cost is allowable. Also, interest is added to the tax payment.

It is assumed that your sewer system is satisfactory, as it was not mentioned in your memo. Please call me at 471-6917 if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Roland P. Hall

Director of Public Service

Cc: James F. McGregor, Mayor \*

Karl Wetherholt, City Attorney

George Jackson, Water Resources Engineer

### James F. McGregor

From: ent:

Emmy Urban [Emmy@dsc.org] Wednesday, September 20, 2000 12:36 PM

Jim McGregor; Jim McGregor

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Scenic Easement

Dear Mr. McGregor:

We thank you for your letter dated August 28, 2000 and appreciate the information about the scenic easement to the City. Also I apologize for not responding sooner but we have been very busy especially at our work place.

Mark and I are interested in selling the scenic easement to the City and would like to know the specifics regarding the easement. It would be better to e-mail me at Emmy@dsc.org which is my employment, we are not home during the day.

Yours truly, Emmy Urban

### James F. McGregor

From:

Emmy Urban [Emmy@dsc.org] Friday, August 04, 2000 12:35 PM

): ∪C: TJordan@gahanna.org

Subject:

Jim McGregor City Water

We have moved recently into Gahanna and are glad we decided to. Our neighbors are very friendly and helpful. We currently have well water and would like to receive city water. My husband and I have contacted your water department and found out much to our dislike that it would cost us nearly \$8,000.00 to connect into the city water. When we called the individual which handles that department she gave us a list of contractors which we called and they were either out of business or would not return our calls which puzzled us even more.

Having lived in Gahanna for less than a year and talking with our neighbors, they mentioned when they had there city water installed it cost them around \$1,500 to \$2,000. When we told them how much it would cost us they could not believe the amount.

The purpose of this letter is to see if there are any options or finance plans that are available to us. If we owned the house when the initial water lines were installed we would of done so. I would appreciate any suggestions you can offer.

Sincerely,

Emmy PW Urban